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MS: PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Prior Application: H. INAGAWA et al
Serial No. 09/604, 903
Filed: June 28, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2823
Examiner: F. Toledo
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
FABRICATING THE SAME

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REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 9, 2003

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/604, 903, filed on June 28, 2000, entitled SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME, by all of the inventors named in the prior application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed.

2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Basic Fee					\$ 750.00
Total Claims	5	-	20	=	0 x 18 = 0.00
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0 x 84 = 0.00
Total Filing Fee					\$ 750.00

3. A credit card payment form including the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

5. New drawings are enclosed, fourteen (14) sheets, Figs. 1-29.

6. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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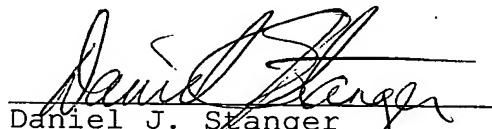
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Please associate this application with Customer No. 24956.

7. The prior application is assigned to HITACHI, LTD. and HITACHI ULSI SYSTEMS CO., LTD.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 09/604,903 as originally filed on June 28, 2000.



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